

Senate File 2105 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act requiring certain city utility boards to submit
- 2 specified advance payment requests for city council
- 3 approval.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 388.4, Code 2016, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. A utility board established by a city
4 with more than one hundred seventy-five thousand population,
5 located in a county with more than four hundred thousand
6 population, shall submit to the city council for review and
7 approval, in advance of payment, each request for payment of
8 attorney fees and related litigation expenses in excess of ten
9 thousand dollars arising out of or related to any one civil
10 case or administrative proceeding to which the utility board or
11 the city utility, city utilities, or combined utility system
12 is a party.

13 EXPLANATION

14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 This bill requires city utility boards in cities and
17 counties exceeding a specified population threshold to submit
18 advanced payment requests for certain expenses to the city
19 council for approval.

20 The bill provides that a utility board established by a city
21 with a population exceeding 175,000 residents and located in
22 a county with a population exceeding 400,000 residents must
23 submit to the city council for review and approval, in advance
24 of payment, each request for payment of attorney's fees and
25 related litigation expenses in excess of \$10,000 arising out of
26 or related to any one civil case or administrative proceeding
27 to which the utility board or the city utility, city utilities,
28 or combined utility system is a party.